WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1.   An image forming device comprising:

a memory that stores printing data;

a controller that: (1) enables editing of the printing data previously stored in the memory of the image forming device; and performs data processing for providing image data from the printing data stored in the memory; and

a printing mechanism that provides printed output of the image data output by the controller.

2.   The image forming device according to claim 1, wherein the controller starts the data processing of the printing data after an editing-allowable state of the printing data has been completed.

3.   The image forming device according to claim 2, wherein the controller starts processing of subsequent printing data when the printing data next in order is in the editing-allowable state.

4.   The image forming device according to claim 3, wherein the processing of the printing data in the editing-allowable state is started when the editing of the printing data is completed and the processing of the subsequent printing data is completed.

5.   The image forming device according to claim 2, wherein the printing data is stored in the memory after the printed output is provided.

6.   The image forming device according to claim 2, wherein the controller also transmits the printing data stored in the memory to the information processor.

7.   The information forming device according to claim 1, wherein the controller starts the data processing after the printing data is entirely received by the image forming device.

8.   The information forming device according to claim 2, wherein the controller starts the data processing after the printing data is entirely received by the image forming device.

9.   The image forming device according to claim 1, wherein the controller enables editing of the printing data if the printing data satisfies a predetermined condition.

10.   The image forming device according to claim 2, wherein the controller enables editing of the printing data if the printing data satisfies a predetermined condition.

11.   The image forming device according to claim 1, wherein the controller enables editing of the printing data when an information processor which has transmitted the printing data is identical to an information processor which requests the editing of the printing data.

12. The image forming device according to claim 2, wherein the controller enables editing of the printing data when an information processor which has transmitted the printing data is identical to an information processor which requests the editing of the printing data.

13. The image forming device according to claim 1, wherein the controller enables the editing of the printing data when user information added to the printing data is identical to user information input by a user who requests editing.

14. The image forming device according to claim 2, wherein the controller enables the editing of the printing data when user information added to the printing data is identical to user information input by a user who requests editing.

15. An image forming device comprising:

storage means for storing printing data;

editing means for enabling editing of the printing data previously stored in the storage means of the image forming device;

data processing means for performing data processing to provide image data from the printing data stored in the storage means; and

printing means for providing printed output of the image data output by the data processing means.

16. The image forming device according to claim 15, wherein the data processing means starts the data processing of the printing data after an editing-allowable state of the printing data has been completed.

17. The image forming device according to claim 16, wherein the data processing means starts processing of subsequent printing data when the printing data next in order is in the editing-allowable state.

18. The image forming device according to claim 17, wherein the processing of the printing data in the editing-allowable state is started when the editing of the printing data is completed and the processing of the subsequent printing data is completed.

19. The image forming device according to claim 16, wherein the printing data is stored in the storage means after the printed output is provided.

20. The image forming device according to claim 16, further comprising transmission means for transmitting the printing data stored in the storage means to the information processor.

21. The information forming device according to claim 15, wherein the data processing means starts the data processing after the printing data is entirely received by the image forming device.

22.   The information forming device according to claim 16, wherein the data processing means starts the data processing after the printing data is entirely received by the image forming device.

23.   The image forming device according to claim 15, wherein the editing means enables editing of the printing data if the printing data satisfies a predetermined condition.

24.   The image forming device according to claim 16, wherein the editing means enables editing of the printing data if the printing data satisfies a predetermined condition.

25.   The image forming device according to claim 15, wherein the editing means enables editing of the printing data when an information processor which has transmitted the printing data is identical to an information processor which requests the editing of the printing data.

26.   The image forming device according to claim 16, wherein the editing means enables editing of the printing data when an information processor which has transmitted the printing data is identical to an information processor which requests the editing of the printing data.

27.   The image forming device according to claim 15, wherein the editing means enables the editing of the printing data when user information added to the printing data is identical to user information input by a user who requests editing.

28.   The image forming device according to claim 16, wherein the editing means enables the editing of the printing data when user information added to the printing data is identical to user information input by a user who requests editing.

29.   An image forming method comprising the steps of:

storing, in an image forming device, printing data transmitted from an information processor;

allowing editing of the printing data previously stored in the image forming device; and

providing printed output of the edited printing data by the image forming device after the editing is completed.

30.   The image forming method according to claim 29, wherein subsequent printing data is output as the printed output when the editing of the printing data next in order is not completed.

31.   The image forming method according to claim 30, wherein the printing data whose editing has been completed is output as the printed output when processing of the subsequent printing data is completed.

32. The image forming method according to claim 29, wherein the printing data is stored in the image forming device after the printing data is output as the printed output.

33. The image forming method according to claim 29, wherein the stored printing data is transmitted to the information processor.

34. The image forming method according to claim 29, wherein the editing of the printing data is allowed when the printing data satisfies a predetermined condition.

35. The image forming device according to claim 29, wherein the editing of the printing data is allowed when an information processor which transmitted the printing data is identical to an information processor which requests the editing.

36. A printing device comprising:

a receiving part that receives printing data from a host device;

a memory that stores the printing data received by the receiving part;

a printing controller that controls the printing data stored in the memory so as to print the printing data according to a predetermined sequence; and

an editing part that sets the printing data stored in the memory to an editing-allowable state according to a request from the host device;

wherein the printing controller temporarily stops processing of the printing data depending on an editing request for the printing data from the host device, cancels the temporary stop condition if the editing is completed when a printing order for the printing data arrives so as to perform the printing processing of the printing data after the editing of the printing data, and cancels the temporary stop condition at a predetermined timing after the end of the editing if the editing is not completed when the printing order of the printing data arrives so as to perform the printing processing of the printing data after the editing of the printing data.